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SUBJECT: BANK OF SWEDEN REQUESTS INDICTMENT OF FINNS INVOLVED IN
CURRENCY SMUGGLING

REF: (A) STOCKHOLM 5220

(B) HELSINKI 2271

1. THE BANK OF SWEDEN (RIKSBANK) ON OCTOBER 28 RECOMMENDED
THAT THE THREE FINNS SEIZED AT ARLANDA AIRPORT OCTOBER 5
CARRYING 195,000 KRONOR (APPROXIMATELY \$45,000) IN BILLS
DESTINED FOR THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES IN THE
FINNISH METAL WORKERS ELECTIONS (REFTELS) BE INDICTED
FOR ATTEMPTED ILLEGAL EXPORT OF CURRENCY. THE THREE
NAMED ARE FINNISH SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY TREASURER
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PENTTI KETOLA, HIS WIFE LAILA, AND MRS. BERIT METSEMAKI.

2. THE BANK ALSO RECOMMENDED THAT FURTHER POLICE INVESTIGATION BE CARRIED OUT ON THE ROLES OF SWEDISH SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY TREASURER NILS GOSTA DAMBERG, SWEDISH METALWORKERS ECONOMIST PER JOHANSSON AND MRS. METSEMAKI'S HUSBAND LAURI, WHO MANAGED TO LEAVE SWEDEN WITH 50,000 KRONOR (APPROXIMATELY \$11,000) IN BILLS. AT ISSUE IS WHETHER DAMBERG AND JOHANSSON VIOLATED THE CURRENCY REGULATIONS BY TURNING THE MONEY, MOST OF WHICH WAS ORIGINALLY GIVEN BY GERMAN IG METALL PRESIDENT LODERER TO JOHANSSON, OVER TO THE FINNS WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OR PERMISSION OF THE BANK OF SWEDEN.

3. THE CASE OF THE THREE FINNS IS NOW IN THE HANDS OF THE STOCKHOLM COUNTY PROSECUTOR, LARS DAHLGREN, WHO WILL MAKE THE FINAL DECISION ON WHETHER THE EVIDENCE IS SUFFICIENT FOR AN INDICTMENT.

4. STILL UNANSWERED IS WHERE LODERER OBTAINED THE FUNDS. ALTHOUGH SWEDISH REPORTERS HAVE TRIED TO QUESTION LODERER ON THIS POINT ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS WHILE HE WAS TRAVELING ABROAD, LODERER HAS SAID ONLY THAT HE OBTAINED THE MONEY FROM SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC "FRIENDS" IN WEST GERMANY.
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